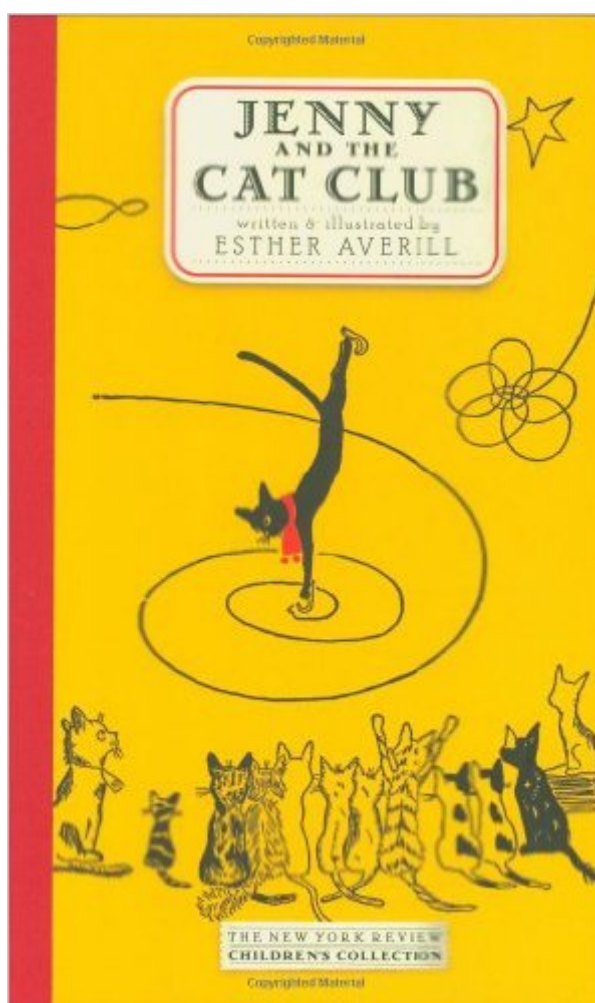


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# Jenny And The Cat Club: A Collection Of Favorite Stories About Jenny Linsky (New York Review Children's Collection)



## Synopsis

In Greenwich Village an orphaned black cat lives happily with her master, a sea captain. Still, the gentle Jenny Linsky would like nothing more than to join the local Cat Club, whose members include Madame Butterfly, an elegant Persian, the high-stepping Macaroni, and stately, plump Mr. President. But can she overcome her fears and prove that she, too, has a special gift? Join Jenny and her friends, including fearless Pickles the Fire Cat, on their spirited downtown adventures and discover why The Atlantic Monthly called Jenny "a personality ranking not far below such giants as Peter Rabbit." **AVAILABLE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN DECADES, THIS COLLECTION INCLUDES ESTHER AVERILL'S FIVE FAVORITE CAT CLUB STORIES**

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Age Range: 5 - 9 years

Grade Level: Kindergarten - 4

## Customer Reviews

There's a time most of us probably don't remember when we make the conceptual leap from looking at a bunch of letters on a page to reading. Jenny did this for me. My grandmother sent me the first Jenny Linsky books before I was old enough to start school. My parents read them to me--at first. For the rest of his life my Dad said that he, too, adored Jenny Linsky because all he had to do was put me in his lap, open the book, and turn the pages. I did all the rest. Years ago, before internet use was common, I asked a woman who owned a children's bookstore if she carried the Jenny Linsky books. She condescendingly told me that she never heard of them. No wonder that store went out of

business. Later, when I went online and tried to find the books, all I could find were rare collectors copies. I'm thrilled to see these reprinted. I owe Jenny for a lifetime of happy reading.

Over a period of days, I read my 7 and 4 year old the stories in this lovely book. We all just loved them - the stories are such a refreshing change from more modern stories. They are old-fashioned, but still relevant and engaging to children. Jenny Linksy is charming, but has her faults. She admirably faces challenges and is willing to admit when she's wrong. My kids kept asking questions about the stories and making comments about Jenny and her friends for days after each reading. They totally looked forward to the next story. Echoing a prior reviewer's comment - Please publish the rest of the stories!

My children (girl-4, boy 6) love Jenny Linsky. Her everyday adventures are so real and make it easy to relate to her. The illustrations are so simple and the characters so diverse. This is my daughter's favorite book (after Jenny's Surprise Birthday Party, which we have checked out of my son's school library 4 times this year). My son (a dino, shark, nature kid) hated for me to put it down between chapters; it is so fascinating and the language and setting are so unlike many books written today. I am so glad we uncovered this wonderful, old treasure. I would encourage all parents to read a Jenny Linsky story to their children.

My four and a half year old loves cats so I couldn't wait to give her this book for Christmas. Truly, over even her biggest present, I think this is her favorite Christmas gift of 2005. Every night since she received it we have been reading Jenny's stories. When we finished it the first time, we started over again! These stories are sweet, full of adventure and fun, while reinforcing core values such as friendship, courage and selflessness. My daughter and I highly recommend this collection for all cat-loving kids! (We've even ordered a copy for her school library.)

I love Jenny Linsky. I love her gentle nature, her kindness, her shyness. I loved her from the moment I opened the book and read the first paragraphs to my (then) 5 year old daughter. I loved her as I made red pom-poms to tie onto a red scarf so my daughter could dress up as Jenny for Halloween. But five years later, she's my second favorite Linsky. My most favorite is my three year old daughter, Zoe Linsky, whom her big sister lovingly named after the nicest person she could think of, a little black cat named Jenny.

After years of struggling with my son to interest him in reading, I came upon this wonderful book that features the one thing that I thought might make him read...A cute little black cat and her adventures. This book now has the distinction of being the first book my 9 yr old son has read by himself from cover to cover. Thank you Jenny! Hopefully the publisher will re-release the other Jenny stories as well.

...I can speak with authority on this one. Esther Averill's Jenny stories were some of the first books I can remember checking out of the neighborhood library; what a joy to find them back in print! I, too, had only vague recollections of "a cat that danced the hornpipe," but seeing the jolly yellow cover of the new edition opened my memory like Proust's madeleine. I hadn't realized that these odd and charming little stories were set in the Greenwich Village I grew up to roam so happily in my college years, though, or I'd have kept more of an eye out for the Cat Club. I'm eager to get my hands on a copy and share it with my future kids.

I bought this book for my 5 year old granddaughter. She LOVES this book. She said it was her favorite book and that she was going to keep it forever! She was also hoping they would make it into a movie. Her 2 1/2 yr. old brother also liked it. I guess I will have to get other Jenny Linsky stories for her.

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